

## NOTES OF THE DAY

No person in Norway may spend more than 6 cents at one visit to a drinking place.

In the best of years Europe never produces enough wheat to supply her own needs.

During the last year Missouri sold \$3,000,000 worth of mules, chiefly for war purposes.

Potatoes in Greenland are always very small. Frequently they grow no larger than marbles.

The rice-eating Chinaman could consume the

It is estimated that about 4,000,000 Turkings live in the United States on Thanksgiving Day. Turkey is the most popular of the "world's" crop of wheat and still go industry.

The "Lancet" says the climate of Egypt may without exaggeration, be described as magnificent.

Military experts now fix the date of the occupation of Pretoria somewhere about the middle of February.

Siberia, opened by the Russians, may yet be the scene of the greatest wheat-producing countries of a new world.

A new public school in St. Louis is to be named in honor of the late Eugene Field, who was a native of that city.

Five countries in Europe produce more wheat than they can use—Russia, Hungary, Serbia, Bulgaria, and Roumania.

St. Peter's Cathedral is the most heavily insured building in Great Britain. It is insured for \$5,000,000 in ten policies.

It has been computed that \$700,000,000 per annum is paid to British shipowners for ocean cargo insurance on the world's commerce.

There are at present about 517,000,000 bread-eaters in the world, nearly eight times the population of the United States.

The Sault de Sainte Marie Canal passes two and a half million tons of wheat in eight months of the year. The canal passes in a full year.

Since the beginning of the year 189 tests have

in made of gas supplied to London. The results were that 90.47 per cent were below sixteen

During the year ended September 30 last there were only five deaths among the 1,217 inmates.

the eight children's temporary homes in Cologne has passed a law requiring every bar-who does business in the State to pay \$1 to a fund for the State to issue a certificate entitling to competency.

In one of the great railroad stations in Budapest artists have been engaged to decorate the walls with scenes of the principal Hungarian cities.

The British Government is discussing the feasibility of sending to the United States large quantities of wheat against the emergency war or famine.

Foreign trade of the Argentine Republic for the month of January 1907 showed an excess of re-exports over imports amounting, gold pesos, \$1,000,000.

The United States' export of cheese to Great Britain's export of cheese to England has grown in \$500,000 in 1908 to \$17,500,000 in 1908, where the United States exported only \$3,257,000.

The foreign sale of American flour is increasing enormously—from about 4,900,000 barrels in 1907, to 10,000,000 in 1908, and in 1909, 18,000,000 barrels in the present year.

Assignment of fifty-one Arizona cattle and their calves to the United States and their receipts received at John Wamaker's Philadelphia, Pa. The cattle were killed and their receipts ranged from \$10 to \$100.

The former years New York had the lion's share

here is a new railroad car that by its own motion compresses ammonia gas to liquid, which going through the pipes expands and produces necessary coldness in the air.

Two troopers of the Fourth Hussars and two of the West Riding Regiment in India have chased their discharges and joined the Roman Catholic Brotherhood in Bangalore.

Milk dealers' association in Springfield, Mass., decided to use coupon milk tickets, believing the continuous use of tickets may be a means of spreading contagious disease.

black lioness has been added to the collection of animals in the Jardin des Plantes, in Paris. Lions of this color are found only in the interior of the Sahara, and are scarce even there.

The American consuls at all foreign ports have lawful right to examine intending emigrants from the United States for the purpose of ascertaining that they are fit for admission to this country.

The application of salt to roadbeds will be tried this winter in New York. It is believed that salt will prevent the top soil from freezing, thus saving the mud which invariably comes from thaw.

correspondent of the "London Graphic" writes from Sevastopol that much comment and surprise have arisen in naval circles by the unusual order for the Russian Baltic squadron to winter quarters at Liban.

The Russian armored cruiser Gromoboy, built at Petersburg, will carry no less than sixty guns of various descriptions, including four 8-inch, sixteen 6-inch, twenty 3-inch, twenty 3-inch, and four machine guns, all being quick

writer in the "Nineteenth Century," having the largest hospital in Vienna, was shocked at the total want of regard for patients' feel-

are in Michigan, fifty-five concerns engaged in the manufacture of vehicles, light and heavy, including cutters and sleds. The aggregate amount of capital employed is \$3,622,200. The aggregate number of vehicles manufactured in 1908 was 371,769; the total value \$9,398,447.

With the holidays of today the ruby is esteemed a talisman which is never shown willingly to friends, and is considered ominous of the worst bad fortune if it should happen to contain a spot. The ancients accredited it with

The enormous destruction of birds to supply skins for women's hats was clearly shown by me recently in a factory at Wautagh, 12-1, among the property destroyed were 10,000

China when an honor is conferred on a family, it is the ancestor and not the descendants who share the glory. If a Chinaman, for his sins, receives a title of nobility his son can inherit it or have the right to use any but inferior title. Thus the nobility in the family is diminishing from generation to generation it finally becomes extinct.

of, Marks, who has just entered on his eighty-ninth year, is the doyen of British Hebrew ministers. For no less than fifty-eight years of his life he has been in the service of the West London Synagogue, and for a considerable portion of that time has held the position of minister. The professor takes, notwithstanding his great age, an active part in the ad-

telephone of novel character has just been introduced at the Paris Academy of Science. The inventor, M. Desaudat, has constructed an apparatus which receives and registers messages in absence of the user. Political speeches, business communications and music hall songs can, therefore, be stored and tapped at will. Experiments between Paris and Marseilles are said to have won wide success for the new telephone.

Gargling in the usual way only the upper portion of the surface of the uvula and soft palate and of the tongue are reached, says the "Medical Record." The method of holding the nose

throwing the head well back when gargling  
 the fluid to reach every surface of the  
 larynx. The value of the two methods can  
 be tested by painting the posterior wall of  
 pharynx with a strong solution of methylene  
 blue. After gargling with water, the throat  
 later will be perfectly clear and un-  
 stained; then let the patient gargle again by the  
 method suggested, and the ejected fluid will be  
 colored blue.

The rural telephone service," says the "Elec-  
 trical World," "is said to be far advanced in  
 southeastern Ohio, and particularly in Geauga  
 county, which is strictly an agricultural county.  
 In fact, there is an office in every township, but

hundreds of farmers have telephones in their homes. One of the companies in the county is strictly a farmers' company, it being operated by eight farmers, who own everything in franchise to switchboard. The primary object in constructing the lines was not to build a line for an investment, but as a help in the operation of business, and to give the families of the social privileges that are too often lacking on the farm."